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GW TO HOST SYMPOSIUM ON EARTH SCIENCE FROM SPACE MAY 12

**GW Space Policy Institute Director John Logsdon Among Speakers;
Program Cosponsored With NASA's Office of Mission to Planet Earth**

WHAT: "The State of Earth Science from Space: Past Progress, Future Prospects," a symposium sponsored by the Space Policy Institute of The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs. Dr. John Logsdon, the Institute's director, is among the speakers.

The event is being produced in cooperation with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Office of Mission to Planet Earth.

WHEN: Thursday, May 12, 1994
9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre
800 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.
(Foggy Bottom/GW Metro, Blue and Orange lines)

COST: Free and open to the public. Seating is limited.

Background:

"The State of Earth Science from Space: Past Progress, Future Prospects," is organized by the GW Space Policy Institute under the auspices of The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs. Speakers will include Dr. John Logsdon, Space Policy Institute director; Charles Kennel of NASA's Mission to Planet Earth program; Shelby Tilford, former NASA associate administrator for Mission to Planet Earth; and a variety of other experts.

The symposium's goal is to provide an authoritative overview of the progress that has been made in the study of Earth from space, and to identify the steps being taken to ensure that future Earth observation-oriented space missions make as great a scientific contribution as possible. NASA's Office of Mission to Planet Earth manages the space agency's ongoing program of Earth observation missions that are intended to provide a basis for scientific understanding of the processes of global change on different time scales.

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**GW'S GASTON SIGUR CENTER FOR EAST ASIAN STUDIES CELEBRATES
10TH ANNIVERSARY WITH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE MAY 26 - 28**

GW and Yomiuri Shimbun co-sponsor event which brings East Asian leaders to Washington for discussion on regional developments and international relations affecting U.S. foreign policy; annual conference open to the media for first time

EVENT: International Conference on "East Asia in Transition: U.S.-Japanese Relations" sponsored by the GW Elliott School of International Affairs' Gaston Sigur Center for East Asian Studies and Yomiuri Shimbun, Tokyo.

DATE: May 26 - 28, 1994

LOCATION: The Watergate Hotel
The Continental Room
2650 Virginia Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C.

REGISTRATION: A limited number of seats are available. Reservations by fax or letter only; send name and affiliation to:
The Sigur Center
The George Washington University
Gelman Library 621
2130 H Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20052
Fax: 202/994-6096

PARTIAL LIST OF INVITED SPEAKERS/PARTICIPANTS:

The Honorable Jeffrey Garten, under secretary of commerce, U.S. Department of Commerce
The Honorable Lynn E. Davis, under secretary for international security affairs, U.S. Department of State
Kent Wiedemann, deputy assistant secretary of defense for East Asia and Pacific Affairs, U.S. Department of Defense
Tom Hubbard, deputy assistant secretary of state for East Asia and the Pacific, U.S. Department of State

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Ambassador Nikolai Soloviev, director, Second Asia Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia
Kyong-Shik Kang, former deputy prime minister and director, National Strategy Institute, Korea
Jin Dexiang, vice president, China Institute of Contemporary International Relations (PRC)
Lin Bih-jaw, director, Institute of International Relations, NCU, Taiwan
Ambassador Koichiro Matsuura, former deputy minister for foreign affairs, Japan
Hobart Rowen, columnist, The Washington Post
Mortimer Zuckerman, chairman and editor-in-chief, U.S. News & World Report
Minister Jin Hyun Kim, chairman, The Korea Economic Daily

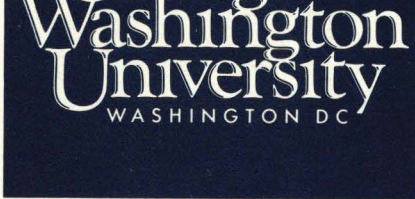
Background:

The Gaston Sigur Center for East Asian Studies aims to increase the quality and broaden the scope of scholarly research and publications on East Asian affairs; to promote scholarly interaction and exchange both of faculty and students with universities and institutions in Asia; to serve as the primary location in the nation's capital to educate a new generation of students, scholars, analysts and policymakers prepared to cope with the rapidly expanding role of East Asia and the Pacific Rim in world affairs; and to serve as an integrating center for the many activities and resources at The George Washington University related to East Asian affairs.

The Sigur Center offers specialized, multi-disciplinary programs on East Asia at both the undergraduate and graduate levels within the Elliott School of International Affairs.

This event is open to the media. Those wishing to cover sessions should contact Karen Sibert in the GW Office of University Relations at 202/994-9023.

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GW LAW SCHOOL GRAD NAMED TO CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT

Kathryn Werdegar Would be Third Woman to Serve

Washington, D.C. -- The George Washington University law graduate Kathryn Mickle Werdegar has been named to the California Supreme Court by Governor Pete Wilson. Werdegar, a self-described conservative, will be the third woman ever to serve on the California court.

"I never would have dreamed that this would come to me in my career," Werdegar told the *San Francisco Chronicle*. "I hope that I can bring strong intellect and wide experience in the law and a sense of judicial restraint."

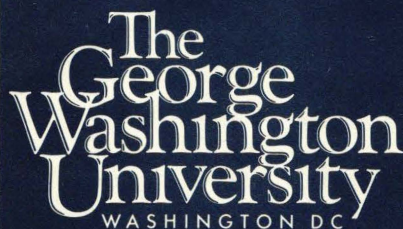
She will join Justice Joyce Kennard as the second woman currently on the California court and, as she told the *San Francisco Chronicle*, she hopes this will be "a further signal to young women that their horizons are not limited."

Werdegar must be confirmed by the Commission on Judicial Appointments, which comprises Chief Justice Malcolm Lucas, Attorney General Dan Lungren and state Court of Appeal Justice Robert K. Puglia of the Third District, Sacramento. Her confirmation, however, is expected to pass without opposition.

After attending Wellesley College from 1954-1955, Werdegar transferred to the University of California at Berkeley, from which she graduated with honors in 1957. She attended Boalt Hall School of Law at Berkeley, California from 1959 to 1961; one of only two women in her class, and went on to graduate first in her class at The George Washington University School of Law in 1962 (now the National Law Center).

Werdegar began her career in law as a legal assistant in the U.S. Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, and then as an associate at the UC Berkeley Center for the Study of Law in Society. From 1978 to 1981 she served as associate dean for the University of San Francisco School of Law. In 1991, Governor Wilson appointed her to the 1st District Court of Appeal. Prior to that she had been a research attorney for California Supreme Court Justice Edward Panelli.

She will replace Panelli, who suggested her as successor, on the California Supreme Court.



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**CAREER DIPLOMAT JOHN C. HOLZMAN TO ASSESS U.S. FOREIGN POLICY
TOWARD POST-SOVIET AFGHANISTAN IN MAY 20 DISCUSSION AT GW**

EVENT: GW's Elliott School of International Affairs and the Organization of Afghan Solidarity and Cooperation present John C. Holzman, director of the Office of Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh Affairs, U.S. Department of State, in a discussion of U.S. foreign policy toward Afghanistan since the Soviet withdrawal.

WHEN: Thursday, May 20, 1994
7:00 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Marvin Center, Room 403
801 21st Street, NW
Washington, D.C.
(Foggy Bottom/GWU Metro - blue and orange lines)

COST: Free and open to the public.

Background:

Since the withdrawal of the Soviet Union from Afghanistan, the humanitarian and political situation has escalated into a major crisis. Thousands of newly-generated Afghan refugees arrive at Afghanistan border countries in search of freedom, only to be denied asylum. Afghan refugees remain the world's largest refugee population. While the cold war conflict has ended, Afghans have experienced a dwindling of humanitarian relief and assistance in the face of political instability and near-collapse of the country's economy.

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**THE HONORABLE JOYCE HENS GREEN TO DELIVER KEYNOTE ADDRESS
AT GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL LAW CENTER COMMENCEMENT**

**May 29 Graduation Ceremony Also Honors
Justice William Brennan, Jr.**

Washington, D.C. -- The Honorable Joyce Hens Green, alumna of The George Washington University National Law Center and U.S. District Court Judge, will address the graduating class of the National Law Center on May 29th 1994. The procession will begin at Fonger Hall, 2201 G Street, NW at 1:00 and will proceed to the Smith Center at 22nd and G Streets, NW. The Ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. A reception will follow the Law Commencement in the University Yard at 2000 H Street.

Green received her law degree in 1951 and went into private practice in the District of Columbia and Virginia. She was appointed Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in 1968; and since 1979, she has been a United States District Court Judge for the District of Columbia. In addition, since 1988, she has been serving on the United States Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, and, since 1990, has served as its Presiding Judge. She earned her B.A. degree at the University of Maryland.

Judge Green is a member of the American Bar Association; the American Judicature Society; the District of Columbia Bar; the Bar Association of the District of Columbia; the Virginia State Bar; a member and past president of the District of Columbia Women's Bar Association; past chairman, Executive Women in Government; fellow, American Bar Foundation; former director, Federal Judges Association; the Lawyers' Club of Washington; and Women's Forum of Washington.

In 1992, Judge Green was elected to a three-year term on the Executive Committee of the National Conference of Federal Trial Judges of the American Bar Association's Judicial Administration Division. She has collaborated on the publications, "Dissolution of Marriage," and "Marriage and Family Law," and various supplements.

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"Whatever direction you take -- private practice or academia or business and public service -- follow your path with love and zest, and a dollop of humor," she cautions this year's graduates.

Also honored will be **Former U.S. Supreme Court Justice William Brennan**, who will be awarded an honorary degree from the Law Center in recognition for his outstanding contributions to law.

Brennan, the son of Irish immigrants, grew up in an activist home. His father was a local union leader and was elected four times to the Newark Board of Commissioners. Justice Brennan attended the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Finance and Harvard Law School.

Joining the New Jersey firm of Pitney, Hardin, and Skinner, he found himself working with corporate clients to resolve labor disputes and gained a reputation for fairness. He also became known for his participation in the New Jersey Court system. As a result of his efforts, he was appointed first to the superior court, then to the New Jersey Supreme Court. Finally, in 1956, Brennan was selected by President Eisenhower to replace Justice Sherman Minton on the U.S. Supreme Court.

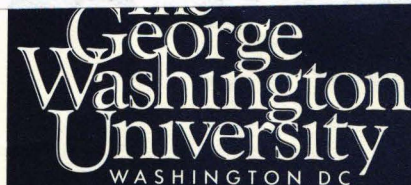
Among Justice Brennan's most notable decisions are *New York Times v. Sullivan*, strengthening the principle of free speech, and *Baker v. Carr*, addressing the problem of disproportionate voting districts and affirming the principle of "one person, one vote." He is also known for establishing the constitutional legitimacy of affirmative action programs and for protecting government benefits, such as welfare, from being taken away or denied without due process.

Justice Brennan retired from the Court in July 1990.

Members of the media interested in covering law commencement should contact Nora Kelley in the Office of University Relations, (202) 994-3087.

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA LEGISLATORS, INDUSTRY AND COMMUNITY LEADERS TO VISIT GW'S VIRGINIA CAMPUS MAY 24

ASHBURN, VA -- On Tuesday, May 24, George Washington University President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg will host a delegation of Northern Virginia legislators, and industry and community leaders at GW's Virginia campus. Participants will tour the facility, meet faculty and students and learn more about the broad scope of technology, research and management programs offered at this location.

The meeting will serve in part to demonstrate to state lawmakers the University's commitment to the Northern Virginia business and technology community. It is also an effort on the part of GW to create stronger ties with the Virginia leadership, to establish and build relationships with other private and state schools for partnered research projects and to participate with local committees and councils to promote economic development in the region.

Legislators scheduled to participate in the visit include: state Senators Edward M. Holland, Joseph Gartlan and Robert L. Calhoun as well as Delegates David B. Albo, Alan E. Mayer, James H. Dillard II, Harry Parish, David Brickley, Robert D. Hull, Gladys B. Keating, Vincent F. Callahan Jr., Marian Van Landingham and a representative of Delegate Bob Marshall. Also invited are members of the Virginia campus advisory board, which consists of 15 senior managers of Northern Virginia corporations; members of the Colonial Board, who are residents and community leaders in Loudoun County; and members of the State Council on Higher Education.

Participants will have an opportunity to tour the facility for a first-hand look at state-of-the-art laboratories which support leading research in graphics, magnetics, multimedia, structural testing, human computer interaction and micro-electronics; national centers which focus on environmental

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technology, nuclear physics and satellite communications and a research library which is linked to the downtown campus and the Washington Research Library Consortium.

Located just minutes from Dulles International Airport, the GW Virginia campus is a graduate education and research complex. It offers programs from the University's professional schools and continuing education division, including 11 master's and doctoral degree programs in engineering as well as three weekend executive degree programs in business and management, information systems and human resource development. Through its facility in Virginia, The George Washington University is able to provide outstanding graduate education and research toward greater technological and management competitiveness for high technology firms in the area.

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RENOWNED GW ECONOMIST SAR A. LEVITAN PASSES AWAY

**Widely respected Professor Emeritus and Director of GW
Center for Social Policy Studies succumbs to cancer at age 79.**

Washington, DC -- Sar A. Levitan, Professor Emeritus of economics and director of the Center for Social Policy Studies at The George Washington University, passed away on May 24. He was 79.

"Sar Levitan was among our most distinguished faculty and will be sorely missed," commented GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. "His contributions to the University and to social science are beyond measure."

In a career that combined research with government service, Levitan was widely known and respected for his analysis of social policy and his influence on government programs over the past 45 years. Although a statistical expert, he was a strong advocate of non-technical explanations. His work was marked by a commitment to the development of a more humane society.

Levitan was born in Lithuania in 1914. He came to the United States in 1931 and became a citizen in 1935. He graduated from City College of New York in 1937 and received his master's and doctoral degrees from Columbia University. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II and retired from the reserve as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Following his military service, Levitan taught at several colleges in upstate New York. He came to Washington in 1951 to serve as an aide on the Wage Stabilization Board and subsequently held several other government positions. He is credited with helping to formulate the Area Redevelopment Act, one of the federal government's first efforts to combat poverty in rural communities.

Beginning in 1962, Levitan held a series of research posts with private organizations. He first served on the faculty of The George Washington University from 1962-1964 and returned in 1967. The Ford Foundation has supported his research since 1962.

In 1977, he was appointed by the president to chair the National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics, a position he held until 1979. The recommendations of that commission are said to have guided revisions in the nation's labor force statistics. A prolific writer, Levitan also authored or co-authored more than 40 books and papers.

Dr. Levitan is survived by his wife of 47 years, Brita Ann.



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GW'S GELMAN LIBRARY RECEIVES COLLECTION OF SPECIAL EVENT MANAGEMENT MATERIALS

Washington, DC -- The George Washington University's Gelman Library has received a large collection of special event management materials from two leaders in that field, Assistant University Librarian Chris Filstrup has announced. Joe Jeff Goldblatt and Nancy Lynner presented the University with videotapes, audiocassettes and documents, including the original manuscript of Goldblatt's pioneering textbook, Special Events: The Art and Science of Celebration.

"The collection represents the work of Nancy and me in special event design and management and offers scholars an opportunity to view a wide range of special events ranging from ceremonial to life style, from corporate to religious," Goldblatt said. "The book manuscript will provide scholars with an opportunity to study the evolution of this profession as this was the first textbook."

Students studying event management at The George Washington University and at the six other universities which are members of the Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC) will be able to use these valuable materials to advance their studies. In addition, Gelman Library will sell copies of the video and audio cassettes at cost to researchers not connected with The George Washington University or the WRLC. As part of the library's special collection in Sport and Event Management and Marketing, the Goldblatt-Lynner Collection represents an important repository for information available for the first time to the public.

Goldblatt said that GW's location in Washington, which he calls "the special event capital of the United States," and quality of the research staff at Gelman Library helped he and Lynner decide to give their collection to The George Washington University.

"Gelman Library is very grateful to Joe Goldblatt and Nancy Lynner for this substantial gift," Assistant University Librarian

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Filstrup said. "We welcome the opportunity to serve the large community of event management professionals and researchers through the new Goldblatt-Lynner Collection." Gelman Library hopes to expand the collection in the future.

Goldblatt is a graduate research assistant at GW and coordinator of the University's Forum for Sport and Special Event Management and Marketing, a recently-established program that is among the first of its kind in the nation. He is pursuing his master's and doctoral degrees in GW's School of Education and Human Development and was the founding president of the International Special Events Society. He has appeared on hundreds of radio and television programs and written over 200 articles.

Lynner is special events coordinator for the Smithsonian Institution's Office of Development. She and Goldblatt founded The Wonder Company, Inc., which produced inaugural events for President Bush, celebrations at the White House for President Reagan and the opening of the Trump Taj Mahal Resort in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

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**GW'S GELMAN LIBRARY HOSTS EXHIBIT
ON THE HISTORY OF WASHINGTON'S CEMETERIES**

EVENT: The George Washington University's Gelman Library hosts an exhibit, "Permanent Residents: Cemetery Memorials of Prominent Washingtonians." The Friends of the Library will host an opening reception for the exhibit.

WHEN: Monday, June 13 through Friday, July 22, 1994
12 noon to 5 p.m.
Opening reception: Thursday, June 16, 5 - 6 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Gelman Library, Special Collections
2130 H Street, NW, Suite 207
Washington, D.C.
(Foggy Bottom/GW Metro, Blue and Orange lines)

COST: Free and open to the public

Background:

The histories of local cemeteries, such as the Rock Creek, Oak Hill and Congressional cemeteries, provide a fascinating background for study of the development of Washington, D.C. The memorials themselves represent outstanding artistic works by some of the best sculptors of their time. The exhibit will explore the historical richness of Washington's cemeteries through their tombstones.

The opening reception on June 16 is sponsored by the Friends of The George Washington University Libraries. The exhibit is open to the public and runs through July 22, 1994.